(ख) यह भी सच है कि सुरक्षा ड्यूटी पर तैनात कार्मिको को ठेकेदारों द्वारा 25–30 प्रतिशत की दर से कटौती के बाद वेतन का भुगतान किया जाता है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस प्रकार कटौती किये जाने तथा उन्हें इस प्रकार के ठेके दिये जाने के क्या कारण है विशेषरूप से जबकि उक्त कार्मिक दो वर्ष से लगातार प्रतिदिन सुरक्षा ड्यूटी कर रहे है ;

(घ) क्या सरकार ठेकेदार द्वारा कये गये इस प्रकार के नियोजन को समाप्त करने तथा उन्हें रोजगार कार्यालय के माध्यम से नौकरी दिलाने का विचार रखती है, ताकि ठेकेदारो द्वारा वेतन में कटौती किये जाने की इस बुरी प्रथा को समाप्त किया जा सके ; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो प्रस्तावित कार्रवाई का ब्यौरा क्या है ?

श्रम मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० ए० संगमा) : (क) से (ङ) जो भवन इन प्रतिष्ठानों जिनके संबंध में ठेका श्रम (विनियमन और उत्पादन) अधिनियम, 1970 के अधीन केन्द्रीय सरकार समुचित सरकार है, के स्वामित्वाधीन या के आधिपत्य में है, उसमें झाड़ू लगाने, सफाई करने, धूल झाडने और चौकीदारी करने मे ठेका श्रम के नियोजन को प्रतिषिद्ध कर दिया गया है । जहा ठेका श्रम के अवैध नियोजन के मामले केन्द्रीय औद्योगिक सबंध तंत्र के ध्यान मे आते है, उनमे समुचित कार्रवाई की जाती है । केन्द्रीय औद्योगिक सबंध तंत्र द्वारा यह सूचित किया गया है कि उन प्रतिष्ठानो के संबंध मे, जिनके लिए ठेका श्रम (विनियमन और उत्सादन) अधिनियम, 1970 के अधीन समुचित सरकार केन्द्रीय सरकार है, प्रश्न के भाग (ख) मे यथा-निर्दिष्ट सुरक्षा कार्मिको के वेतन से किस तरह की कटौती के मामले उनके ध्यान में नही आए है ।

जहां तक उन प्रतिष्ठानो का संबंध है, जिनके लिए ठेका श्रम (विनियमन और उत्सादन) अधिनियम, 1970 के अधीन समुचित सरकार दिल्ली प्रशासन है, उनके बारे मे सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और उपलब्ध होने पर सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

Sriramsagar stage II project in Andhra Pradesh

2410. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal for Sriramsagar Stage-II Project of the Andhra Pradesh Government is awaiting clerance from the Centre; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not giving clearance to the said Project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) and (b) Comments have been sent to Andhra Pradesh Government for their compliance.

Narmada Project

2411. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cost of the 25 crore Narmada Project will escalate to Rs. 80,000 crores by the time it is completed and the final cost of irrigating the land will be around Rs. 4 lakhs per hectare;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the excessive pumping in the coast of Saurashtra has led to the intrusion of sea water into the sweet water acquifers and has turned the once fertile belt into a waste land; and

(c) if so, what measures Government propose to take to prevent the excessive pumping of sea water into the sweet waters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) The estimated cost of Narmada Sagar Project is Rs. 1392 crores and that of Sardar Sarovar Project Rs. 4240 crores. These projects have been approved by the Technical Advisory Committee. Revised Estimates for these projects have not been received

(b) Excessive ground water withdrawals is among the causes of sea-water intrusion in some coastal areas of Saurashtra.

(c) Measures like construction of check dams, percolation tanks, tidal regulators, artificial recharge of ground water and legislative measures for regulating ground water withdrawals have been taken.

Ban on export of turmeric

2412. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to ban export of turmeric;

(b) whether it is a fact that the proposed ban on export of turmeric has created a glut in the market and the price has fallen to Rs. 850 a quintal; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take to protect the interests of farmers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) to (c) There is no proposal to ban export of turmeric at present.

Applications received in Tamil Nadu for LIC loans under own your house scheme

2413. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of applications received for LIC loans under Own Your House Scheme in Tamil Nadu during 1985-86 and 1986-87;

(b) what is the number of applications received in Madurai Division and how many were cleared; and

(c) whether Government are aware that some of the genuine applications were rejected in Madurai Division by the Divisional Manager deliberately without any verification; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a)

Year	Applications Received
1985-86	228
1986-87	390

(b)	Received	Cleared
1985-86	151	111
1986-87	76 (including back-log)	78

(c) No genuine applications are reported to have been rejected without verification. All the applications are reported to have been considered on merits.

Howrah TB Hospital

2414. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the request of Howrah T.B. Hospital, Andul Road, Howrah, for enhancement of reservation charges for beds reserved for treatment of ESI ensured persons has been considered by Government;

(b) whether the Ministry had deputed an officer to study the facilities provided in the said Hospital; and